

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
WESTERN DIVISION

NO. 5:23-CR-237

FILED IN OPEN COURT

ON 7/27/2023

Peter A. Moore, Jr., Clerk
US District Court
Eastern District of NC

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)

v.)

WILLIAM EDWARD HINTON)

INDICTMENT

The Grand Jury charges that:

COUNT ONE

On or about August 30, 2022, in the Eastern District of North Carolina, the defendant, WILLIAM EDWARD HINTON, did knowingly and intentionally distribute a quantity of cocaine base ("crack"), a Schedule II controlled substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1).

COUNT TWO

On or about September 7, 2022, in the Eastern District of North Carolina, the defendant, WILLIAM EDWARD HINTON, did knowingly and intentionally distribute a quantity of cocaine base ("crack"), a Schedule II controlled substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841(a)(1).

FORFEITURE NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that all right, title and interest in the property described herein is subject to forfeiture.

Upon conviction of any felony violation of the Controlled Substances Act charged herein, the defendant shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(a), any property constituting, or derived from, any proceeds obtained, directly or indirectly, as a result of the said offense, and any property used, or intended to be used, in any manner or part, to commit, or to facilitate the commission of the said offense.

Upon conviction of any violation of the Gun Control Act, the National Firearms Act, or any other offense charged herein that involved or was perpetrated in whole or in part by the use of firearms or ammunition, the defendant shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 924(d) and/or 26 U.S.C. § 5872, as made applicable by 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), any and all firearms and ammunition that were involved in or used in a knowing or willful commission of the offense, or, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3665, that were found in the possession or under the immediate control of the defendant at the time of arrest.

If any of the forfeitable property, as a result of any act or omission of a defendant: cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence; has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party; has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the court; has been substantially diminished in value; or has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty; it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section

853(p), to seek forfeiture of any other property of said defendant up to the value of the forfeitable property described above.

REDACTED VERSION

Pursuant to the E-Government Act and the federal rules, the unredacted version of this document has been filed under seal.

DATE: 7/26/2023

MICHAEL F. EASLEY, JR.
United States Attorney

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'N. T. Lemons', is written over a horizontal line.

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